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Dear Mr. Brooks:

I do not know whether you or Henry Laughlin will be handling this matter but as my last talk was with you, I address this letter to you for you both.

I am delivering to your New York office the English text of the first Swiss volume of "To The Bitter End". The first section, 174 pages, is entitled "Marinus van der Lubbe", which is the story of the burning of the Reichstag; the second section, 104 pages, is called "The Frenzy of the Masses"; the third section, 90 pages, "The 30th of June"; the fourth section, 54 pages, "Bloodless Revolution"; and the final section, 78 pages, "The Guilt of the Generals".

You will find a second translation of the first three sections. I have not compared these respective translations but I believe that the first set was somewhat edited for the purposes of the American market and the second set was a closer approximation to the Swiss edition. In the final analysis, you will probably wish to check over both of these translations with the Swiss edition. You will find substantial differences, at least between the first complete set of translations and the Swiss edition, but I believe all these changes were approved by the author. This translation was made by a highly intelligent American girl in Zurich, Mrs. Mary Bancroft, who prepared it in close consultation with the author, with a view to eliminating certain of the philosophizing in which Germans like to indulge.

If you have any questions about the manuscript I will do my best to clear them up.

Faithfully yours,